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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit: 2876 :
Group No. 2800 :
Examiner: Hess : SMART CARD SYSTEM, APPARATUS
In re application of Stephen P. Norton : AND METHOD WITH ALTERNATE
Serial No.: 09/897,235 : PLACEMENT OF CONTACT MODULE
Filed: July 2, 2001 :

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222

April 30, 2003

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

A. Introductory Comments

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 30, 2003, please amend the above-
identified application as follows: